GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1559
ANSWERED ON:13.03.2002
TELEPHONE DIRECTORY .
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the action being taken in regard to the telephone directories worth more than five crores which have not been distributed so far while MTNL is going to print new directory for Delhi;

(b) whether any survey has been conducted to ascertain the willingness of the subscribers to purchase the directory to avoid loss and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Sir, in reply to Parliament Question No.1621, of November, 2001, it was mentioned that 193334 Main Directories and 141329 Supplementary Directories were in the stock. Now as on28.02.2002 this balance of Main Directories have reduced to 126390 and Supplementary Directories have been reduced to 135505. These figures show that on an average 22315 Main Directories and 1831 supplementary Directories are being issued per month respectively.

(b) No, Sir. The Directory is issued free of cost to the subscribers.

(c) Not applicable in view of (b) above.